

Just hangin' out



Elaina Meier/TRUMPET

LEAN ON ME—First year student Drew Boxrud and the rest of the Foundations of American Education class spent a day with fifth graders from Longfellow Elementary School in Waterloo. Boxrud, shown with Longfellow students Trever Gordan and Eric Murray, is a first-year physics education major from the Twin Cities.

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Largest class in history graduates

Katherine Hall
 Staff Writer

The largest class in Wartburg's history, 327 students, will graduate Sunday, May 21 on the campus mall. This includes 23 seniors who will finish classes in August.

Honor graduates, determined by grade point averages, will not be determined until after the submission of May Term grades. Three honors are recognized: Cum laude, 3.5-3.699; Magna cum laude, 3.7-3.849; and Summa cum laude, 3.85-4.0.

Two honorary degrees will also be awarded during commencement ceremonies. Wartburg alumnus Paul E.S. Schell, mayor of Seattle, Wash., will receive the honorary Doctorate of Public Affairs. Ross D. Christensen, an orthodontist and former member of the Board of Regents, will receive the honorary Doctorate of Human Letters. He is serving as a National Chair of Commission Wartburg.

Senior Britta Monson has been chosen as the student speaker. Monson is a communication arts major and has an emphasis in public relations.

"I come from a class of many talented and gifted individuals and I am honored to be representing them," said Monson.

The top academic achievers are submitted to the President's Cabinet. Students with the 40 highest GPAs are considered, as well as staff and faculty recommendations. The president then makes the final selection.

"This year, as in the last several, there will not be any guest speakers so as to keep the focus on the graduates," said Edie Waldstein, associate vice-president of academic affairs.

Fred Phelps, leader at Westboro Baptist Church in Kansas, announced plans to picket Wartburg's commencement. Phelps and his small group target churches and organizations it views as tolerant of homosexuality.

The group's practice is to organize peaceful sidewalk demonstrations and display offensive signs designed to provoke reaction from passersby. Picketers have limited options on the perimeter of Wartburg's campus because they must remain on public property.

"We want the focus of the day to be our seniors' graduation, a day for their parents and themselves to celebrate their achievements," said Alliance (formerly GABLES) president Elizabeth Fairchild-Ehm.

Legal restrictions will bar protestors from college property. Students and community members have been asked to focus the weekend's energy on the graduates.

Graduation Activities

Friday

6 p.m. Pig Roast. Fairgrounds of the 4-H building

Saturday

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Senior Art exhibit. Schmidt Art Gallery, Fine Arts Center

9:30 a.m. Class of 1950 campus tour

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. President's brunch. Greenwood

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Heritage Society and 50 yr. club brunch. Buhr Lounge

1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Senior Recital. Wartburg Chapel

5:30 p.m. May Term band concert. South Campus Mall

9 p.m. Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing. Chapel

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Commencement ceremony rehearsal. Gymnasium

8:30 a.m. Senior breakfast. Cafeteria

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Art Exhibit. Schmidt Art Gallery, Fine Arts Center

10 a.m. Baccalaureate. Neuman Auditorium

1 p.m. Pre-commencement band concert

1:30 p.m. Commencement

Construction on campus nears completion

Luther Hall and new residential buildings to be finished soon

Jessica McAninch
 Staff Writer

Deadlines on campus construction are getting closer as the end of the year approaches.

The Luther Hall basement Advancement Offices have been under renovation since March. The project includes removing asbestos from the ceilings and walls as well as creating new office spaces.

Part of the change in Luther Hall included moving the printing services and mail room to the area that was formally the Lair in the Student Union.

The Advancement Offices were also moved to the Fine Arts Center until renovations are completed.

Several people on the second floor of Luther Hall offices have voiced opinions about the construction noise.

"It's hard to hear people on the phone," said Jean Rasmussen, secretary in the financial aid office. "It's also hard to hear what people are saying when they come in to the office."

"They [the jackhammer and drill] go in spurts,

but they've been nice about doing it just in the morning," said Jean Schloemer, the Perkins and in-house loan coordinator in the controller's office.

"Gotta give a little to get a little," said assistant registrar Nancy Jackson.

According to Mike Book, vice president of finances, the renovation of Luther Hall will be completed Aug. 15.

The new residential halls are also coming close to their deadline. According to Pete Armstrong the exterior of two halls will be done by June 1, and the other halls will be completed by Aug. 1.

"I'm really excited that it's coming along so fast," said Emily Hamer, former president of student senate. Hamer will be living in the new dorms next year.

The process of naming the building is still continuing. Names were submitted by the student body, faculty and alumni.

Some suggested names are Knights Court, Geist Court, and Eisenach Village, Cotta Haus, Holmes Haus and Oppermann Haus.

Sebold, Galena, Siganaw and Holmes were some of the names suggested for individual houses.

Suggestions were given to the president and his cabinet who will propose the names to the Board of Regents May 22.

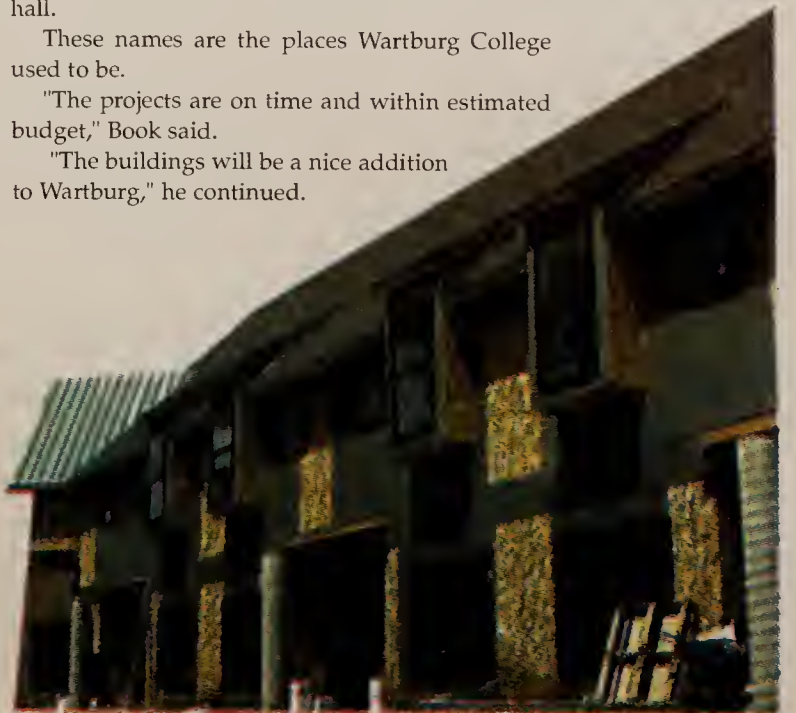
According to Armstrong, "Knights Village" will be the name proposed at the meeting, along with

the names suggested for each individual resident hall.

These names are the places Wartburg College used to be.

"The projects are on time and within estimated budget," Book said.

"The buildings will be a nice addition to Wartburg," he continued.



Janna Swedin/TRUMPET

KNIGHTS VILLAGE?—"Knights Village" is the proposed name for Wartburg's new residential halls. The Board of Regents will hear all suggestions May 22.

Build legos, stay young

Summer is around the corner, which leads everyone to ask everyone else, "What are you doing this summer?" This is probably the second most popular question on campus this May Term, right behind "Who's turn is it to buy the beer?"

For seniors, the question is nothing more than a sick and cruel joke (unless you are going on to graduate school and deferring those government loans a few more years). Sorry to depress you seniors, but for most of you from here on out, June, July and August are just three more months of the year. The days of laying on the beach or relaxing the summer nights away are over.

Juniors, you might be laughing at them, but honestly, whatever you do this summer, consider it the last "summer" of your lives. Because next year, it will be off to find jobs, start jobs or beg and plead for jobs just like this year's seniors.

Sophomores and first-year students are in a better boat than the rest of the Wartburg community, but don't get too excited because your time will be coming soon.



Chris Thomas

My point is we are growing up. Our childhood is officially drawing to a close, whether we act our age or not. Soon we will all have to worry about getting married, paying bills, finding jobs and all the other stuff that goes along with becoming an adult. Of course, you never have to grow up completely, do you? Even when we are 80 years old, we can still be "kids," right?

There are a ton of things that we can do to stay young that don't include running four miles a day or riding the stationary bike for 30 minutes (although these things are good because they help to physically live, which is an important part of mentally staying young). So without further ado, here is Chris Thomas' list for mentally staying young. Remember that these are in no particular order and not each and every one of these will apply to you.

Blow bubbles in your soda at the restaurant. Go out on a "date," even if you have been dating your significant other for years. Throw snowballs. Play with your food after you are done with it. Buy a coloring book, a box of 128 crayons (remember when 64 used to be a lot?)

and color a picture for your parents. Make yourself peanut butter and jelly for lunch, even if you are going to work in a power suit. Buy a fish, watch it swim around, think about what it would be like to him, that fish. Travel as often as you can. When you do travel, stop at the cheesiest places you can find. Roll down a grassy hill in the middle of no where. Drive without asking for directions (by that I mean have no destination in mind). Buy some Legos and build something. Then destroy it. And last but not least, always be open minded and willing to try new and challenging things.

Sure, we all might have to "grow up" and get jobs, but none of us ever have to officially grow up. Seniors, keeps this in mind as you enter the real world, full of responsibilities and bosses and all the things are parents complain about. If you want, you can stay young forever with the right combination of responsibility and irresponsibility. Once you find the right combination of the two, use it to you best advantage and you can and will always be a child at heart, even when you are buried in paper work and have to work all weekend to get caught up. So good luck seniors, we'll all be joining you soon. And believe me, you can stay "young" forever. I know I will.

Speak out against Colombian aid

In March, the House approved President Clinton's 1.7 billion-dollar aid package to Colombia by a vote of 263 to 146. For the record, every Iowa representative voted against the bill except for Tom Latham of District Five. The bill (HR 3908) has been amended to eventually call for 9.1 billion dollars of spending.

The Colombian government has been involved in a civil war for the past 40 years with several Marxist guerrilla groups, the main factions currently being the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) and the National Liberation Army (ELN). Reactionary paramilitary groups have also formed in the 80's. The military, which answers to no one and includes several thousand SOA graduates, is closely aligned with the paramilitaries. They train them, supply them with weapons and intelligence and even direct their actions. The military can direct massacres and other atrocities without being held responsible. This is reminiscent of the brutal Salvadoran death squads that received their orders directly from the military.

Atrocious human rights abuses are committed by the guerrillas, the military and the paramilitaries, the latter accounting for the vast majority of all atrocities (approximately 75 percent). The paramilitaries are well known for massacring peasants in hopes of depleting the guerrillas' "social base." Over 35,000 people have been killed and over 1.5 million have been displaced in just the past ten years of the civil war.

Colombia is a land of injustice. It boasts all the formal requirements of a democracy including elections and three branches of government. This is a masquerade.

The government has always been controlled by the rich oligarchy, no matter how it operates or what the party is named (liberal or conservative). For instance, in 1985 the government offered amnesty to those guerrillas who would give up their arms and become a political party competing in elections. Created by former guerrillas, the Union Patriótica Party (UP) appealed to a broad range of Colombian citizens. The UP enjoyed extensive electoral success at many levels. Democracy, right?



Tim Eldridge

Except that virtually all of the UP's elected officials (approximately 4,000) and the party's only two presidential candidates were killed shortly after.

Clinton's aid package will supply the Colombian government with 1.7 billion dollars of aid. 85 percent of this aid will be in the form of military assistance, such as Blackhawk and Huey helicopters (used in Vietnam, how appropriate). The proposed motive for this aid is to help "fight the drug war."

Colombia has recently been transformed from the primary middleman of cocaine trafficking into the primary producer of coca. The term "narco-guerrilla" has been coined to describe the rebel groups the supposed primary beneficiaries of the drug trade. It's true that the guerrillas tax everything that crosses the land they control including drugs. However, it has been demonstrated that the drug trade saturates every section of Colombian society, especially the military. The paramilitaries themselves are mostly comprised of drug lord and landowner security forces and hence more greatly involved in drug trafficking.

The Colombian military is allied with the paramilitaries, so this obviously isn't a war on drugs. The truth is, America is involving itself not in a drug war, but a counterinsurgency war; even drug czar Barry McCaffrey has admitted this. The military aid will have no effect on the influx of drugs into this country, but it will vastly contribute to the suffering of the Colombian people. Our government is repeating the same tragic mistakes it committed in El Salvador during the 80's. What's next, US troops in Colombia? Have we learned nothing from history? Perhaps we just don't care. The bottom line is this: the only effect of this aid will be increased violence and suffering. Drug trafficking into the US will not decrease until the demand for drugs decreases. Coca production in Colombia will not decrease until the farmers have a better way to sustain themselves.

The Senate will vote on this issue in midsummer. Please contact your Senator and tell them not to support the Colombian aid package. We cannot allow what happened in El Salvador to keep happening in Colombia. If you want more information, visit the following websites:

<http://www.ciponline.org/colombia/index.htm>,
<http://www.igc.org/colhrnet/>,
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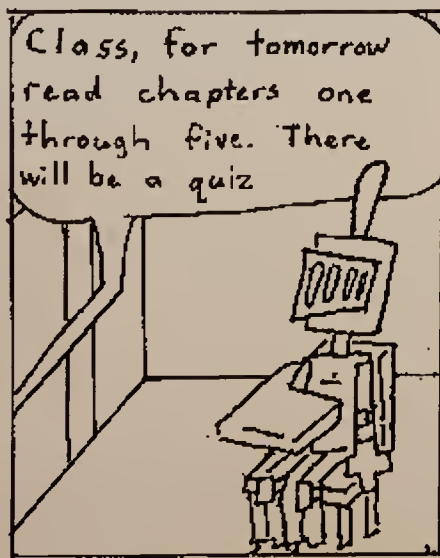
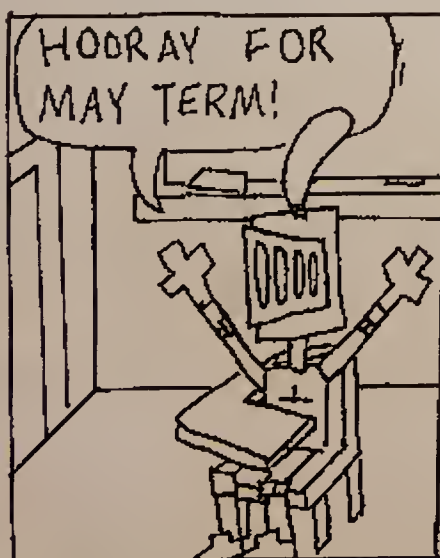
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Technology consumes society

Today's fast-paced society has quickly become one of the computer and various other high-tech gadgetry. The advances of the twentieth century have been mind-blowing to say the least. They have also challenged the existing fabric of society and forced modern western society to redefine the way individuals live on a day-to-day basis.

Take television. This harmless piece of home furniture is now common place in American society. This in and of itself is fine, as the T.V. serves as a phenomenal source of information for the nation at large. But when the T.V. becomes a babysitter, there is a problem. When children, who then become adults, are more versed in commercial slogans than they are classic literature or civic works, a problem arises.

This infestation of technology has spread even further with the dawn of the information super highway.

Do not misunderstand, these things all hold the potential to be wonderful additions to society.

However, the benefits of such inventions must be balanced by the cost that they carry with them. Recent events that have been highlighted by the media clearly indicate the degree to which modern society depends on computers and technology.

First and foremost, the ongoing Microsoft monopoly saga is testimony to the power of the computer. One man with the smarts and the technology has turned an industry inside out while captivating the interests of the Justice department. Moreover, the proceedings have fully captured the eye of the media.

The sheer volume of the media coverage is a direct indicator of the societal dependence upon the computer in particular.

The impact of technology and the computer goes beyond the free market, as it reaches into everything from the government bureaucracy to the family and the individual.

The latest electronic mail virus, the "I Love You" bug, ran rampant through the business and governments of Europe and Northern America. Specifically, the bug wreaked havoc on the Capitol Hill computer system for over an hour before it was curbed. The virus hit at least 14 departments and led to the corruption of computers con-

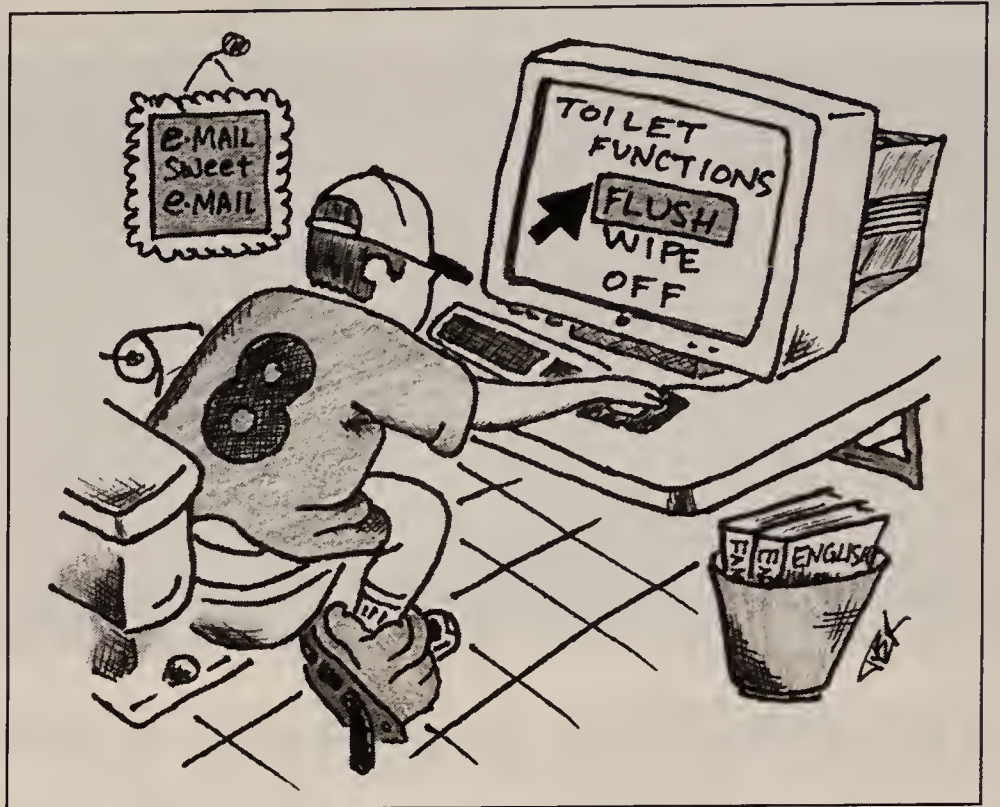
taining high security information in areas including the Department of Defense. The technology dependency has exposed a serious point of vulnerability for the nation.

More disturbing is the impact that technology has on families and individuals. Granted, it is a true treasure for a family to be able to capture the images and words of a loved one on video. One must weigh this benefit with the cost of the number of families who now find themselves linked via a series of beepers and cell phones. What has happened to the art of face-to-face communication?

The youth within those families, who witness the disruption of media, government and society caused by technology, are being raised in a society distinctly different from anything the nation or the world has ever seen before. The definition of literacy relevant to today's youth is now being adapted to include notions of technological literacy.

Again, it is great that today's youth are capable of doing things that previous generations read about in sci-fi books. To simply add a specialty to the pool of knowledge would be one thing. Instead, the traditional skills of speaking, reading and writing have suffered.

Far too many students possess the ability to hack into a computer system but lack the ability to read at a functional level. English books have been thrown in the wastebas-



ket and replaced with a glaring screen and a mouse. A brief conversation with a handful of young people today will quickly confirm the slide communication skills. Computer programs now correct mistakes as the user types, further reinforcing the notion that traditional reading and writing skills simply do not matter. Ask one of them where they can best be contacted, the response may very well be in the form of an email address. "I check it all the time."

Technology has brought many welcome advances to society, but it has left a generation by the wayside.

"If they give you ruled paper, write the other way."

-Juan Ramon Jimenez

in Ray Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451*

Your two cents...

In those insane moments,
we all have two cents
to share.

"i hope she's not sleeping yet."

"who are you calling?"

"a 900 number."

"yes, we are in an institution, now
that you mention it."

"sometimes i just sit and watch
the little man instead of doing
what i am supposed to be doing."

"it's not just smushed, it's
constipated."

"i love hairy legs in the winter."

"she must have terminal P.M.S."

"yeah, we all need a midol
moment."

-compiled by the trumpet staff
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wartburg students.

Honor Council - something is very wrong

A crazy thing has happened this year. I have found myself on the Academic Honor Council.

Honor Council?

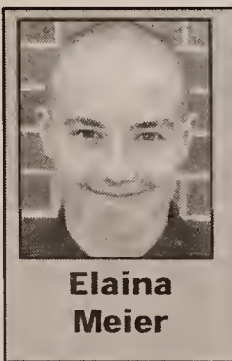
My sentiments exactly. Prior to seeing a lonely application tacked up outside of the caf, I didn't know that organization even existed. Frightening, isn't it?

Here's a quick question for everyone: why are you here? It is my hope that the answer has something to do with scholarly pursuits.

If academics are the primary reason for most of us to be here, one would therefore assume that the organization responsible for the academic integrity of this institution would be visible and active.

In a class discussion during my senior year of high school, the academic policies of many colleges were put before us. The theme that prevailed was one of integrity above all else. In some instances, the process rested heavily on the shoulders of the students to address cheating and plagiarism along side the professors.

Here at Wartburg, we are called to do likewise. As students, we are culpable for our own actions and the actions of those around us. Do you know that you are called, *obligated*, to report cheating that you



Elaina Meier

witness? How often have you looked the other way? Have I looked the other way?

Students can be bold and honorable, upholding the honor code as they are called to do, but it is nearly futile without the existence of a solid, functioning Honor Council to support the students in their efforts.

As for the professors, how can Honor Council ask them to uphold a code that the Council can not feasibly enforce?

Don't get me wrong, the majority of professors on campus strive to ensure the academic integrity of their classes, their departments and this college. There is, however, a reason that academic honor councils exist. Our version currently leaves much to be desired.

There are multiple elements of the current Council that are either lacking or in need to substantial revision.

I cannot tell you what, if anything, was accomplished first term. There has been efforts second term to update the brochure and include it in orientation packets. Those efforts have been painfully slow at best.

The Honor Council is currently a sort of sub-organization of Student Senate. The potential for problems as a result of this dependency are innumerable. Members of the Honor Council do hold a seat until graduation, but that does little to prevent any problems that may arise from this relationship.

That brings forth the issue of election to office. The process behind my selection is still a mystery to me. The validity and

integrity of at least one other member's selection is suspect. This is clearly a potential stumbling block for this organization of supposed honor.

Honor Council needs to become an independant organization focused on the integrity of learning within these walls. Members should be elected in a fair and democratic process, ideally by the whole of the student body and faculty.

The council must earn, through rigorous efforts, the right to handle matters of cheating and plagerism. This right to rule in a judicial capacity must be accompanied by the power to pass judgement with the support of the administration. The council would have the power to fail a student on a paper or in a class, place them on probation, suspend or expel them with the safety net of an appeals process..

Too much? For the current Council, yes. For a focused organization, no. The rulings of an Honor Council should be able to stand on their own two feet.

As I write, I have come to realize that under the spirit of the Honor Code, I am obligated to do something about the suspect elections. Where should I turn? What institution will handle the grievance?

While I am aware that the best way to resolve a problem is to be an active member in the rebuilding process, I cannot in good faith continue to affiliate with an organization that lacks creditbility. Consequently, I am resigning from Honor Council effective immediately.

SafeZone training held

Sarah Braun
News Editor

Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students are one of society's most unaccepted cultures. In an effort to change that attitude, at least within the Wartburg community, Jessica Braithwaite, Kristin Giard, Nicole Williams, and Amanda Porter, students in Lynn Peter's Community Theory and Practice Class, have made it their goal to create a more accepting environment for LGBT students on campus.

SafeZone is a program designed to identify people who consider themselves to be open to and knowledgeable about LGBT issues. Its main purpose is to create a friendlier environment for students and faculty, as well as to increase acceptance and tolerance of LGBT students. Anyone is welcome to participate in SafeZone. Those students who aren't gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender are deemed SafeZone allies.

On Saturday, May 6, a training session for those interested in SafeZone was held. Travis Greene, LGBT Student Services Coordinator at Iowa State University, led the session.

"We want students who wish to be allies to be aware of the similarities and differences between

yourself and LGBT students and be able to relate to them," said Porter.

Students who are trained in SafeZone will post stickers outside their door. The posting of the sticker shows that the room is an accepting, tolerant, and supportive environment. Porter stressed that they want students to have training before they post a sticker. SafeZone supporters are hoping to make stickers available starting next fall.

As to why this program is needed at Wartburg, Porter said that many students are LGBT, yet they are not seen out in public because people don't acknowledge the LGBT population.

"The silence needs to be broken," said Porter.



"I understand that homosexuality is often a taboo issue, but by having trainings and a more active Alliance, formerly GABLES, hopefully the issue will become less of a hot topic," said President Elizabeth Fairchild-Ehm.

Another training session led by Greene will be held in the fall. Integrating SafeZone training into freshman orientation is also being looked into.

For information about SafeZone or how to participate in the program, contact Fairchild-Ehm, Braithwaite or Porter.

Resignations announced

Jason Mortvedt
Staff Writer

To date, eight faculty and staff members have announced resignations from Wartburg College this year.

Wartburg accepted faculty resignations from Dr. Lisa Celluci, lecturer of music, and Ed Charney, assistant professor of art.

Staff resignations include Greg Allen, Clinton Hall RHD; Marianne Beck, archives/public service librarian; Denise Cater, Centennial Complex RHD; Marjorie Fuller, director of diversity affairs; Lisa Kidd, director of campus programming; and Heather McClintock, assistant director of admissions.

In addition to these, Duane Schroeder, long time news and sports information director at Wartburg, will be moving to a part-time position.

Vandalism plagues campus

Erin Tracy, Valerie Tiedt & Abriel Young
Staff Writers

Irresponsibility by students has led to changes in staffing, as well as noticeable destruction around campus.

Dale Rush, Grossman RHD, increased the number of resident assistants on duty on Wednesday and Saturday nights during May Term. Two students were taken to the hospital the night before May Term classes began for alcohol poisoning. On April 12, six large parties that involved underage drinking were broken up. Rush did not think that the addition of RA's will stop the drinking problem, but they need to be around in case of an emergency.

"Students who want to drink will do so even if there are more RA's on duty or if Wartburg were to change to a dry campus," said Pete Armstrong, Associate Dean of Students.

In Clinton Hall, another form of irresponsibility by students is being seen. Many incidents of vandalism have taken place this year, leaving Clinton Hall to be deemed the ghetto by its residents.

The most recent act of vandalism was an exit light broken off the wall of Clinton Three South, that was worth \$300. Other acts of vandalism in Clinton include throwing up in urinals, breaking faucets, stealing a fire extinguisher, and throwing ice cream at a window on the third floor.

Pete Armstrong, Associate Dean of Students, said it's not hard to understand why college students act like this.

"Our experience is that students, as part of their development, will try to test their own and the institutions limits," he said.

Yet another form of destruction, fondly known as a "cowpath", has become increasingly visible throughout the year. The well-worn paths used by students and faculty as short cuts between sidewalks and buildings are scattered throughout campus.

"Designing sidewalks according to where people walk is a good theory," said John Wuertz, Plant Superintendent at Wartburg College. "But as building layouts change, so do the paths people use. We understand that people like to walk on the grass, we just ask them to take different routes in order to keep the paths to a minimum."



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FOOT FRENZY – Students who walk across grass on campus help to form the great number of "cowpaths."

Students reach out to local youth



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A GREENER CLASSROOM—First-year education student Drew Boxrud was able to turn May Term into Play Term with these Longfellow Elementary students. Wartburg shares a partnership in education with Longfellow. (Left) Boxrud leans on Eric Murray while taking a break from the action. (Below) Tired no more, Boxrud teaches Jeff Brown about the laws of gravity.



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Honeyfarm in Concert



Janna Swedin/ TRUMPET
AND WE DANCED AROUND...—
 (left) Honeyfarm's lead singer, Mike does more than sing. He takes a moment to jam out on his guitar during Honeyfarm's performance on Saturday. (right) Bill, Mike, Ryan, and Paul get into the music during the concert. Honeyfarm performed old music as well as music from their upcoming CD, while in Waverly. (below story) Bill looks on as Mike belts out some new lyrics during their show at the Huddle. Honeyfarm predicts their new CD will be out in early fall.



Kenny Cummer

Music Specialist

Honeyfarm made their second appearance in the Wartburg area during the 1999-2000 school year at the "Huddle" this past Saturday with a crowd of approximately 200 students and alumni attending.

The band is currently touring in an effort to increase name recognition before the release of their next album. Yet to be named, the new album is in the production stage and is expected to be released sometime in the early fall.

During the concert Honeyfarm played a variety of songs from their most recent album, *Travel Music For Herman*. The group also performed a number of songs from their upcoming album.

"Their songs are always fun to listen to. It was cool to hear some of their new music before the CD is even out," said Sarah Thomsen, junior,

who attended Honeyfarm's Waverly performance.

Throughout the summer, KWAR will be playing samples and previews of the album, and will host a CD release party when the new album is ready for distribution.

One of the biggest differences for Honeyfarm from their older albums compared with their upcoming album, is the addition of another band member. Ryan, the keyboard player, was not with the band during the recording of their earlier works.

The band commented that this album is written as a group instead of as individuals. The band was able to do a brief interview with the music staff of KWAR Saturday prior to the concert.

Two songs were sampled from the upcoming album: "Drain" and "Electric PV Land." One of the other softer ballads from the upcoming album, "Bishop Hill" will be featured during the summer on KWAR.

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And Cummeriginal says...



CD in review this week:

Title: The Million Dollar Hotel Soundtrack

Label: Interscope Records

The Million Dollar Hotel Soundtrack features 16 tracks from the award winning film (written by U2 frontman Bono and co-starring Mel Gibson and Milla Jovovich), including two new U2 songs and numerous performances by Bono. The general mood of the album is relaxed and even borderline depressive.

The Million Dollar Hotel will definitely tide over U2 fans, while they wait for the band's 10th studio album (due later this year). The opening track, "The Ground Beneath Her Feet," is a new U2 song, with lyrics by Salman Rushdie from his novel of the same name. This song is currently receiving airplay on a regular basis on KWAR.

The soundtrack ends on a slightly different note with a punk rock song entitled, "Anarchy In The USA." There are numerous instrumental pieces mixed in throughout the soundtrack as well.

As a whole this soundtrack would not be appealing for someone looking for an upbeat musical compilation. However, for those interested in a slower, relaxing mood this would be a great pickup for one's collection.

LOOKING *forward*

by Katie Shannon
Features Editor

Mike Tyer
Publication Designer

In 1852, Wartburg College was founded in Siginaw, Michigan. Wartburg moved to Iowa in the late 1800s and was permanently established in Waverly in 1935.

Wartburg's rich history continues today under the leadership and service of President Jack R. Ohle. Ohle was inaugurated almost a year ago and began to make his visions for the college a reality by kicking off Commission Wartburg the day of his inauguration.

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strong academic institution, dedicated to challenging and nurturing students for lives of service and leadership as a spirited expression of their faith and learning," said Ohle.

Commission Wartburg is a study to find out what the top priorities of the faculty, students and staff that will give the college even higher academic opportunities. The recommendations to Commission Wartburg are currently being finalized and will be presented to the Board of Regents in late May.

The Board of Regents is the governing body and made up of alumni and friends of the college.

With enrollment growing modestly over the last ten years, more students

have been forced to move off-campus. For Wartburg to continue to have a residential campus, the Board of Regents carried out one of Commission Wartburg's recommendations with the construction of the new senior townhouses.

On campus living dropped to 80 percent of the student body this year. The townhouses are expected to bring that number back up to 85 percent.

Even with the new townhouses, there is still opportunity for students to live off-campus, said Ohle.

Another project in planning is to give the campus a new entrance. Construction may begin this summer or early in the fall. Currently, the main entrance to campus is on Eighth and Ninth Streets. However, if the campus was entered on Ninth Street a person could not turn east, onto Eighth Street.

The first phase of the entrance project will be to create a road between 8th and 9th Street. An open area between 8th and 9th will be created. The area will be landscaped with trees and shrubs around the new turnaround.

The second phase of the entrance project is to tear down the maintenance building as well as curving Eighth Street to Seventh Street. The maintenance building would be rebuilt where the soccer field is currently. *See Outdoor Athletic Facility.*

Ohle would like to see Eighth Street, which is currently in front of Grossmann, eventually become a walking street.

A walking street would give freedom to Grossmann students in so they don't have to worry about crossing the street said Ohle. The traffic would be directed to Seventh Street, enabling the college to landscape the area in front of Neumann Auditorium.

Landscape in front of Neumann would be built up over the next few years. Included in the landscaping will be adequate parking for outside guests attending events in Neumann, said Ohle.

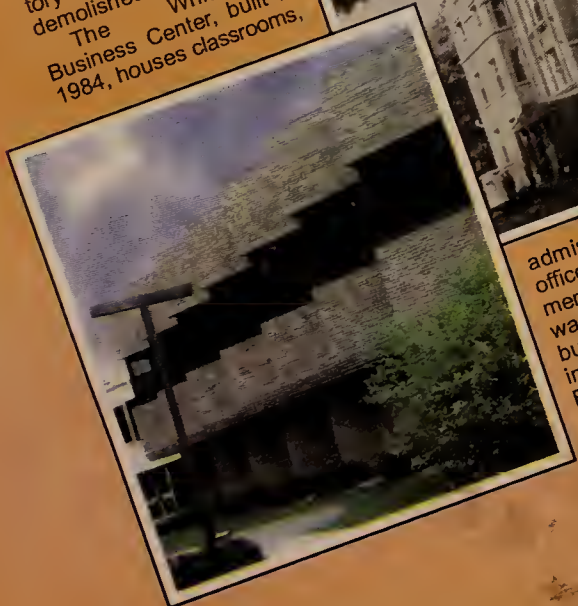
Increasing the college's endowment is another one of Ohle's visions. Currently, the college's endowment is \$34 million. Ohle would like to see it double and eventually reach over the 100 million mark. By increasing the endowment, it would enable the college to increase financial support for faculty programs as well as providing larger scholarships to the students Ohle said.

"People always look toward the building projects as being the most glamorous and the things you can see immediately but I think our first priority should be to build college endowment so we can provide for the faculty and students and build the campus around that," said Ohle.

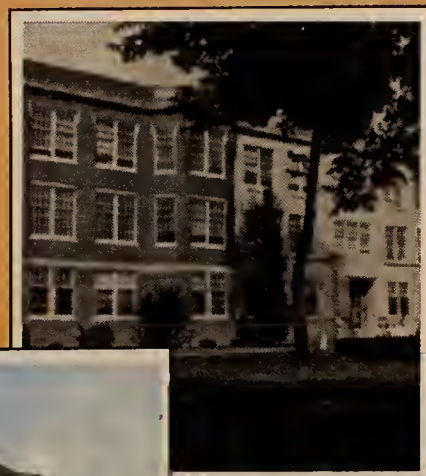
Wartburg Hall, built in 1913, served as a dormitory for 70 years and was demolished in 1983. The Whitehouse Business Center, built in 1984, houses classrooms,



admissions and faculty offices. A monument commemorating Wartburg Hall was erected from the building's original columns in 1999 east of Whitehouse Business Center.



Luther Hall was built in 1926. It originally housed classrooms, laboratories and offices and was remodeled in 1945 to house the library on the ground level. In 1952, the south wing was added for more classroom space.



The Classroom Technology Center, built in 1995, now encloses the south wing of Luther Hall. The lower level of Luther Hall is currently being renovated to provide offices with more space. Renovation is scheduled to be completed September 2000.

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OUTDOOR ATHLETIC *facility*

Two private donations were made to construct a new maintenance building, however fundraising for the outdoor athletic facilities must be completed first.

Maintenance has outgrown its 1950 building. There is not adequate storage space for equipment and personnel. The new building will be located on the 10 block of 12th Street NW, where the current soccer field is located.



The existing maintenance building across from Nuemann Auditorium.

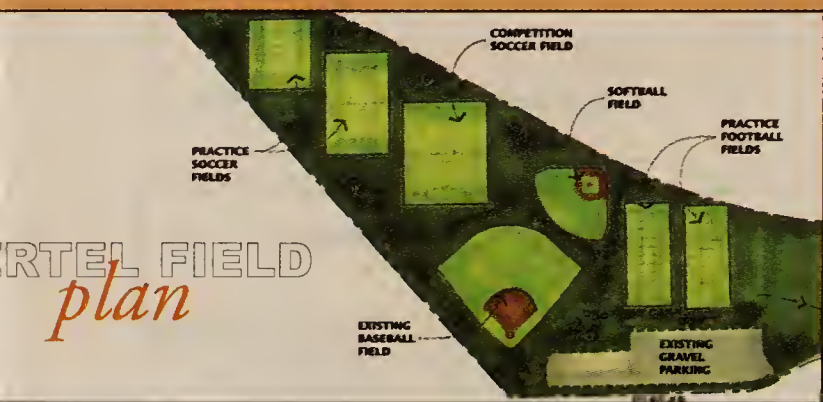
"The main thing we're looking forward to is storage consolidation," Plant Superintendent John Wurtz said. "We've got things stored in the old in the old Act II building [across from Joes Knighthawk], a building out by Kohring [now Terex Cranes], downtown and in the garage across from the Centennial complex."

Plans to relocate the soccer field to Hertel Field and remodel Scheild Stadium are currently being considered.

"It's really odd we have a soccer field that tilts from one corner to another by almost an eight foot drop," Ohle said.

Advancement is currently searching for select individuals to donate a substantial part of the costs.

"We're narrowing the search so that we don't take focus off of other projects like renovating the student union and Becker Hall," said Dave Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement.



SENIOR *townhouses*

The new townhouses will provide seniors with more independent living and the convenience of living on campus.

The new units, scheduled to be completed Aug. 1, will provide homes for 84 seniors.

The Board of Regents accepted the recommendation by Commission Wartburg to add the new complex to keep upper-class students

on campus. The college felt they were losing senior leadership by many moving off-campus said Pete Armstrong, associate dean of students and director of residential life.

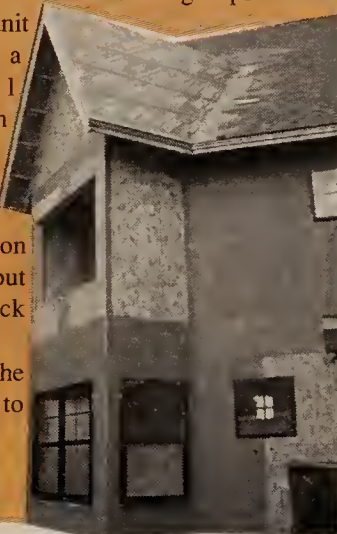
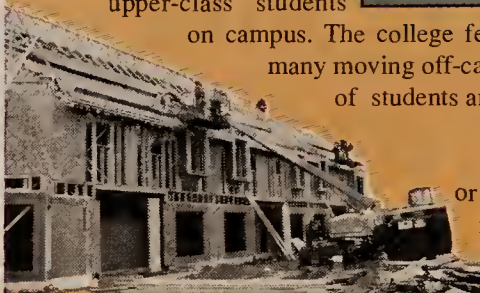
The new units provide housing for seniors in groups of four

or six. Each unit includes a full kitchen area,

bath, dining room and group living room.

Room and board for these new townhouses costs \$4,339, compared to the standard \$4,450 for a two-person room. The new townhouses will not include full board but rather a limited pick five meal plan, where students pick five meals per week to eat in the cafeteria.

The new complex has not yet been named. The President's Cabinet will present their recommendation to the Board of Regents May 22.



GLANCING *back*

The Student Union was built in 1950. An annex to the union was built in 1972. The union was renovated to include dining and study facilities.



An addition to house the bookstore and visiting center was also built. Plans are currently being considered to renovate the union again. The cafeteria only has 325 seats for the 1200 board students. A feasibility study will be submitted to the board May 22.

The library has gone through many changes throughout its history. The Homouth Library was funded through a 1959 donation from the American Lutheran Church. The Robert and Sally Vogel Library, built on the foundation of the 1972 Engelbrecht Library, contains study rooms, computer labs and research materials. It was dedicated Oct. 17, 1999.



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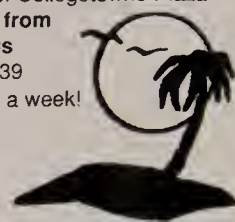
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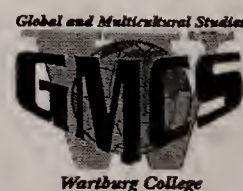
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Senior Show-Offs

Wartburg's Graduating Art Majors are certainly something to brag about

Jessica Liebold

Staff Writer

The Senior Art Exhibit held Saturday featured works by Molly O'Meara, Casey Kasperek, Allen Sessler and Amanda O'Neill.

The show displayed a variety of art including sculptures, oil and charcoal paintings, photographs and etchings.

"This show ranks as one of the best," said professor Ed Charney, head of the art department.

He said this show features more large-scale items, which he encourages the students to do. A trip to Italy during May Term two years ago was an influence, he added. Kasperek and Sessler said that the trip was inspiring.

Kasperek started college with an emphasis in graphic design, but the trip pushed him to give more attention to his artistic talents. Sessler also found the trip influential because he was able to see the works of artists he had studied.

Charney worked together with the four seniors in choosing what would be displayed. Having only four seniors provided more options.

"We were lucky this year because we have so few seniors that we were able to show a lot more work per senior," O'Neill said.

O'Meara added, "Within the art department I think that each of us push each other to become more creative artists but we also respect each other for our different strengths."

Charney said he enjoyed working with the seniors and that they were catalysts in raising the bar for future years.

He added, "Their work is a reflection of my values and standards seen through their eyes."

The four seniors plan to continue working with art after graduation. Kasperek intends on returning to Italy to work on his portfolio. He also wants to return to school and receive his masters so he can teach at the college level.

O'Meara is also planning a trip to Italy. She received a job as the junior art director at Jim Mudd and Associates in Cedar Falls. Both Sessler and O'Neill will continue working with graphic design and doing some commercial work.

The show was well attended, but Charney was disappointed by the lack of support from the administration.

He said, "It is blasphemous that we were expected to attend football games, but nothing is expected for art department functions."



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A SIGHT TO SEE— Sophomore Alysa Asp was one of many to attend the Senior Art Exhibit which displayed the works of four graduating artists.



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THE MASSES WERE IMPRESSED— (right) Artist Molly O'Meara talks with junior Alyssa Pixler amongst many of her works of art.

(above right) Professor Ed Charney discusses with sophomore Collin Votrobeck and junior Jeff Martinovici a charcoal drawing done by Allen Sessler.

(above) Artist Casey Kasperek talks with Wartburg graduate Reena Stewart, who was also an art major.



Softball squishes eight records

Heather Johnson
Sports Editor

The Wartburg Knights softball team wrapped up a 28-win season which put them behind only the 1994 squad that finished with 29 wins.

Eight records were shattered in the process; six by individual players and two by the team.

The Knights, picked to finish ninth in the Iowa Conference, captured the fourth place spot with a conference record of 13-7 in one of the strongest Division III leagues in the nation behind Central, Coe and Simpson. Overall, the Knights' record was 28-14.

First-year head coach Randy Schneider cited the cohesiveness of the team as being one of the main contributing factors to the season's success.

"Every player understood her own role and did their jobs to the best of their abilities. We had great senior leadership and

this team had fun," said Schneider.

Wartburg boasted three freshmen pitchers who combined to set the new school record in strikeouts with 181 on the year, while individually Steph Rasmussen set the record with 94 beating the existing mark of 80.

Sophomore Natalie Curran broke three school records with eight triples, 28 stolen bases and scoring 35 runs.

Junior Carrie Crawford had 13 doubles edging out the previous record of 12. As a team, the Knights also broke the doubles record with 59.

Named to the IIAC second team at first base was Crawford along with Curran in the outfield.

"Overall, we are elated as to the season and the success we've had. It's one of the best seasons in school history," said Schneider.

As for the future, Schneider said the team of 2001 will compete for the conference title as well as being a top-five contender in the nation.

"Overall, we are elated as to the season and the success we've had. It's one of the best seasons in school history."

—Randy Schneider
head softball coach



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A GLOVE OF GOLD—Junior Carrie Crawford scoops one up for senior teammate Katrina Schuknecht, No. 17.

Men's tennis takes seventh at IIAC

Nathan Eberline
Staff Writer

The Wartburg tennis team ended their season May 5 in Cedar Rapids at the Individual Conference Meet.

Neil Mattai competed at Class B and won his first round match-up against Ken Reaves of Upper Iowa. Mattai also won his second round match against Buena Vista's Kris Schwickerath before losing to Tim McCarroll from Coe.

Nathan Eberline defeated Erik Petersen, Upper Iowa, before losing to eventual Class C champ, Dan Taylor from Luther.

The Knights competed at the team conference meet April 27-28. Wartburg lost to Coe and Cornell but topped Upper Iowa and Loras for No. 7 in the IIAC.

"My philosophy this year was that we were a relatively young and inexperienced team...we couldn't go into meets saying that we have to win, instead we worked to invest in player development and improve for the next few years," said head coach Steve McKinstry.

Wartburg finished the season with a 5-10 record.

Golfing guys get fourth, Franzen honored

Ben Thompson
Staff Writer

The men's golf team finished their season with the Iowa Conference Tournament May 5-6 at Otter Creek Country Club in Ankeny. The Knights were trying to move up a couple spots from last year's sixth place finish. They had their work cut out for them after the first weekend at Gates Park in Waterloo.

"We had a slight let down on the second round at Gates," said Coach Mark Franzen. "Had we shot a little better there, we would have been right in the thick of it."

After the first weekend the Knights were sitting in fourth place just 12 strokes behind Coe. The men came out firing, posting a team score of 300. Coe's 303 was just what the men needed to make their move headed into the final round.

Led by junior Ben Thompson's one-under par 70, the Knights fired their lowest team score of the year with a 294. It just didn't prove to be enough as

the top three teams shot under 290. Luther shot an incredible team score of five-under par (279) on the final day to take the team title for the second time in three years. The Knights ended the tournament in fourth place behind Luther, Central and Coe. The fourth place finish was the best a Wartburg team has had since 1990. Franzen, in only his second year of coaching, was named the 2000 IIAC Coach of the Year by his colleagues.

"It's great for coach to be recognized that way," said junior Matt Anfinson. "It says a lot about the job he has done in two years and it reflects well on our team."

The Knights were led by junior Josh Black, who shot a four day total of 298, which earned him a fifth place finish and All-IIAC honors. Thompson and sophomore Mark Nemmers, who tied for 12th and 15th places, just missed all conference honors with scores of 303 and 305, respectively. Anfinson and freshman Jon Freese rounded out the Knights' scoring with 312 and 325.

"There were a lot of highpoints in

our season," said Franzen. "Moving up two spots in the conference was a big accomplishment for us."

The Knights won the Wartburg Invitational by 16 strokes and had a runner-up finish at the Mount Mercy Invite, three strokes behind eighth-ranked in NAIA St. Ambrose. The men also tied or beat every team in the conference, except Central at one point during the season.

Franzen hopes to improve with each year to come.

"I'm satisfied with the way the season progressed," said Franzen. "Our future depends on how much these guys want to work to get better in the off-season. I think they will do what needs to be done."

The Knights won't lose any seniors to graduation and are bringing in nine recruits.

"We are a solid team right now and we are bringing in some pretty good talent," said Franzen. "We are going to put together a team that will have a chance to compete for the conference title."

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Back-to-back-to-back-to...

Heather Johnson
Sports Editor

The Wartburg baseball team captured the conference tournament title with a 10-5 win over Loras Saturday at Waterloo Municipal Stadium after relying on last-minute offensive plays in the opening game of the tournament.

The Knights came out on top of the Central Dutch 10-6 Thursday night in exciting fashion.

Junior Matt Thede hit a homerun in the bottom of the ninth to send the game into extra innings. Sophomore Jude Burger then hit his first career homerun, a grand slam to win the game in the bottom of the tenth

inning.

"We didn't start off the tournament well, but we did take care of business coming through with the heroics against Central," said head coach Joel Holst.

"Our goal is to get to the college world series and we want to settle for nothing less than being a national powerhouse. Pitching and defense are key."

—Matt Thede
junior catcher

Wartburg then annihilated Simpson 15-1 Friday afternoon before downing Upper Iowa 11-3 Friday night.

"We played extremely well against Simpson and Upper Iowa

with great pitching and defense," said Holst. "We played average in the championship game and got some key hits that helped us out."

Thede said the team still has a few things to work on going into the national tournament.

"We need to sharpen up our defense a little bit and continue the pitching performances," said Thede. "Our goal is to get to the college world series and we want to settle for nothing less than being a national powerhouse. Pitching and defense are key."

The Knights opponent and location for Wednesday's opening regional play is still undetermined.

Men's track finish third at IIAC meet

Shaun McMorris
Staff Writer

The Wartburg men's track and field team ended its year with a third place finish at the conference track meet at Central College in Pella, just shy of their goals for the season. The Knights finished behind Loras and Central with 110 points.

Injuries plagued the men, possibly holding them back from a first place finish.

"The men still have a lot to be proud of. A lot of things didn't go our way, but there are still a lot of positive things that happened this season," said coach Steve Johnson. "Despite all the injuries and adversities that the team faced, only two out of eleven teams could beat us. The men should have nothing to be ashamed of."

Senior Josh Wedemeier set a school record in the

long jump with a leap of 22-6.5. Sophomore Michael Johnson, provisional qualifier in the high jump, recorded a height of 6-7. Junior Tom Zirbel won two races for the Knights. Zirbel made it look easy as he won the 10000m with a time of 32:25.97 and the 5000m in 15:13.23.

Head coach Marcus Newsom said he is looking at next year's season in a different perspective.

"Next year we want to be smart and injury free. Now that all the adversity and pressure is off of our shoulders, we can be focused and do what we need to do, and still accomplish our goal," said Newsom.

The mile relay team competed in the North Central Qualifying meet in Naperville Friday where they provisionally qualified for nationals.

Tuesday the team will travel to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse before going to the Augustana Twilight Meet May 19 in Rock Island, Ill.



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BACK ON BASE—Senior Vernon Birmingham takes one for the team as the Knights repeat as Iowa Conference champions for a record fourth time.

Women's track race to title

Shaun McMorris
Staff Writer

The Wartburg track and field team had a strong finish at Central College in Pella. The women came through with a commanding 203.5-160 win over second-place team Loras. Head coach Marcus Newsom was presented with the women's IIAC Coach of the Year award.

"The victory was sweet. It was our time and we went out in style. I was proud of what the ladies accomplished," said Newsom.

The women hammered the competition at Central. They set two conference records, qualified automatically or provisionally for nationals in five events, and set five school records.

New IIAC records were set by the women's 4x100 team. Liz Jaben, Brianne Schoonover, Jenni Donohue, and Susie

Reinhardt crushed the competition with a time of 48:04, which is also a school record.

Jeanette Olson, who ran a 1:02.66 in the 400 hurdles, also set an IIAC record.

"It felt good to finish strong after four years of hard work. I'm very thankful for the experience," said Olson.

Senior Melissa Stensland qualified automatically for the national meet in the shot put with a throw of 45-1.75. The 4x100m team also secured their spot while Erin VanZee was a provisional qualifier in the 1500, running a 4:42.18.

Donohue was a provisional qualifier in the 100m hurdles with a time of 14.93. Olson will compete in the 400 hurdles. Running with Jaben, Reinhardt, and Schoonover in the 1600-meter relay, Olson led her team to a provisional qualifying time of 3:56.91.

Reinhardt had a strong meet setting a school record in the long jump with a distance of 18-0.25. She also recorded an out-

standing performance in the 4x100 and 1600m relays.

"I was surprised at how well we did. The hard work paid off, and I was glad that we finished the year off right," said Reinhardt.

Sophomore Rachel Miller broke a school record in the pole vault with a jump of 8-3.5. Junior Keegan Schadle triple jumped 35-5.25. Jaben had another outstanding performance in the 200m dash with a time of 25.08.

"This year I had no regrets. We went out and did what we had to do. It's not over yet," said Jaben.

The Knights didn't stop there. Conference Champion Stacy Ernst blew away the competition in the 5000 with a time of 18:19.03. Schoonover, qualifying in two other events, ran well in the 400m Dash with a time of 57.89.

There was no joking when it came to senior Erin Ries and her performance in

the 3000. Ries finished with a time of 10:48.72.

"We had some good luck and bad luck, but we never gave up. I was glad that we finished the year off well. Next year I hope both the men and women will be able to pull it off," said Ries.

Friday, Newsom took the national qualifiers to the North Central Qualifying meet in Naperville. Both Ries and Schoonover gained automatic qualifications in the 3000 and in the 400.

Tuesday the team will travel to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse before going to the Augustana Twilight Meet May 19 in Rock Island, Ill.

"With our talent and numbers, our goal for nationals this year is to finish in the top four. Last year we finished eighth," said Newsom.